

## POLYCLINIC INQUIRY IS ORDERED BY U. S.

Situation in Hospital as Affecting War Veterans to Be Investigated.

Orders were received from Washington yesterday for an investigation of unsanitary conditions reported by ten members of the Amateur Comedy Club, 150 East Thirty-sixth street, to exist in Polyclinic Hospital, where 200 war veterans are under treatment.

The amateur players went to the hospital the evening of November 19 to give an entertainment for the soldiers, and in a letter to President Harding said they

were shocked by the conditions of the hospital rooms and the methods of service. "The hospital throughout impressed us," they wrote, "as being in care of persons without any idea of sanitation and was a cruel insult to the helpless wounded there."

Major Henry G. Odyke, district manager of the Veterans' Bureau at 23 West Forty-third street, the newly formed branch of Government veteran welfare service, confirmed the report yesterday that the orders were received, and said the investigation will be conducted by Dr. D. P. Panhalow, chief medical officer of the bureau.

"We have been instructed," said Major Odyke, "to determine the nature of treatment being given to the disabled service men. The complaint was forwarded to this office from Washington and the instructions have been issued. The veterans' bureau is greatly concerned in the welfare of the wounded men, and although it has no jurisdiction over the Polyclinic Hospital it has the power of seeing the men are not kept in improper surroundings."

plained, is directly under the supervision of the United States Public Health Service. He said many of the patients in the hospital have made personal complaints, but that some of these undoubtedly were traceable to patients who had grown fretful under long illness.

William F. Deegan, State Commander of the American Legion, said upon receipt of news of the investigation that in the recent State executive committee survey of the hospitals where veterans were being created Polyclinic Hospital was found to be in no better condition than a year ago. He described it as a "dingy dungeon."

### WRECK TRIAL TO-MORROW.

VALPARAISO, Ind., Dec. 3.—Attorneys for William S. Long of Jackson, Mich., and George P. Block of Michigan City, Ind., under indictment on a charge of involuntary manslaughter in connection with the death of thirty-seven persons in a railroad wreck at Porter, Ind., last March, said to-day they will demand an immediate trial next Monday or dismissal of the case.

## NO DECISION YET IN GARMENT STRIKE

Special Board of State Industrial Commission Adjourns Without Public Action.

Announcement of any decision that may have been reached by the special board appointed by Henry D. Sayer, State Industrial Commissioner, to investigate the strike of 55,000 garment workers was withheld at a hearing yesterday at the commission's headquarters, 124 East Twenty-eighth street. The board adjourned without setting any date for future meetings.

attorney for the International Ladies Garment Makers Union, questioned the power of the board of inquiry, and said they viewed the action of the board in injecting itself into the controversy when an injunction decision is pending as being disrespectful to the Supreme Court. Max D. Steuer, counsel for the cloak, suit and skirt manufacturers Protective Association, also opposed any further inquiry pending action of the court on the preliminary injunction it granted the union against the manufacturers last Tuesday.

John D. Higgins, chairman of the board, in reply to counsel for the union, said that the causes of the strike went deeper than the contract which the union charge was broken by the employers when they attempted to establish the piecework system on November 14. He said the board desired to clear up certain economic questions involved. Mr. Untermyer answered that that could not be done until the courts had settled the contract over the contract.

## TEXTILE UNIONS UNITE FOR MUTUAL BENEFITS

Bodies Outside A. F. of L. Form Federation.

Eight textile unions not affiliated with the American Federation of Labor met yesterday in the headquarters of the Amalgamated Textile Workers, 113 East Twenty-sixth street, to form a combination to be known as the Federated Textile Union.

It was announced that the purpose of the federation was to improve the condition of textile workers, to make more effective labor organization and to furnish moral and financial help to each other in times of industrial conflict.

## TEMPLE ISRAEL CELEBRATES

Prominent Men Speak at Anniversary Banquet. Judge Julius M. Mayer of the United States Circuit Court, Justice Samuel Greenbaum of the Supreme Court, the Rev. Dr. Maurice H. Harris, rabbi; Mrs. Bernard Whitlock, president of the Temple Sisterhood; Mrs. I. H. Kempner, president of the Women's Auxiliary, and the Rev. Lewis L. Newman, associate rabbi, were the speakers last night at the anniversary banquet of Temple Israel in Harlem at the Hotel Astor. Daniel P. rays was toastmaster.

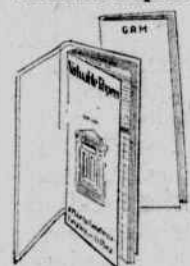
"What use is there of giving, if by its lack of taste the gift fails to please." Browning.

### "Cross" Hand Bag



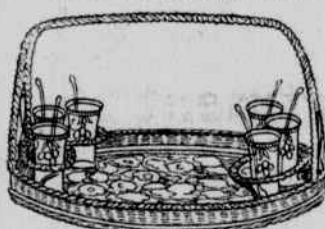
"Cross" bag of genuine pin seal leather, with a fine gull frame, soft leather handle. Pitted with mirror and purse and a framed coin compartment in center. Bag 5 inches deep. \$6.50

### "Cross" Holder for Valuable Papers



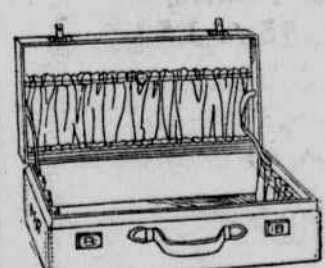
"Cross" holder for valuable papers. Tan pig goatskin case containing removable paper envelopes stamped "Valuable Papers," "Life Ins.," "Fire Ins.," "Policies," "Deeds," etc. Will keep all your valuable papers together. Case measures 10 1/2 x 5 1/2 inches. \$3.50

### "Cross" Refreshment Set



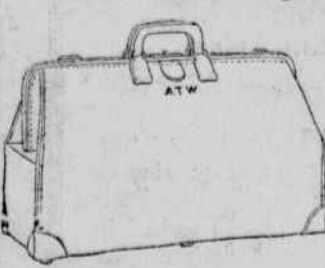
"Cross" refreshment set. This attractive basket is made of colored enamel wicker, with bottom of flowered cretonne—under-glass. Fixed wicker rack, fitted with 6 handsome decorated glasses. Center handle for carrying. Light weight and portable. Tray measures 10 1/2 x 11 1/2 inches. \$19.00

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Luncheon Sets, 13 pieces, set, 5.65, 7.50

Buffet and Dresser Scarfs, each, 3.75, 4.50

Boudoir Pillow Covers, each, 1.50, 2.50

Guest Towels, each, 1.50, 2.50

Handkerchief Cases, each, 1.00 and 1.50

Bread Tray Covers, each, 35c, 50c

Center Pieces, each, 2.50, 3.50

(Second Floor)

## Bridge and Boudoir Lamps for Gifts

Wrought Iron Bridge Lamps, exceedingly artistic and pleasing in design, equipped with attractive 12-inch parchment shade, in assorted colors. Special, 8.00

Imported Boudoir Lamp, decidedly quaint with its picturesquely decorated base and 10-inch parchment shade. Complete with 40-watt bulb (limited quantity), 8.00.

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Are the Portieres in your home faded? Would the couch be transformed by a new Tapestry Cover? Such gifts possess the virtue of beauty and utility, and fill a distinct need economically.

Plain Velour Portieres of fine quality; in splendid color combinations. pair, 19.75

Lustrous Velour Portieres, embossed borders and bodies. pair, 32.00

Tapestry Couch Covers, full size, variously designed. each, 13.50

Lacet Arabian Curtains, richly bordered, most desirable for fine interiors. pair, 11.75

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1100 pairs of 100% Wool Plaid Blankets have been made expressly for James McCreery & Co. of a superior grade wool. They are soft, fluffy new blankets, warm enough to keep out the most bitter cold and amply large for any full-size bed. Pink, Blue, Tan or Gray block plaid designs. Pair, 7.25

(Second Floor)

## Silver is Always Acceptable

The mere fact that a Gift is of Silver makes it not only acceptable but desirable as a Christmas token, for it is always beautiful, useful and lasting.

### Sterling Silver

Picture Frames, 1.50 to 42.75  
Candle Sticks, ea., 6.00 to 33.50  
Salad Bowls, 25.00 to 39.50  
Cake or Sandwich Baskets, 5.00 to 35.75  
Bon Bon Dishes, 7.25 to 17.50  
Open Salt Sets in Cases, 9.00

### Sheffield Plate

Vegetable Dishes, 15.00 to 35.00  
Meat Platters, 9.50 to 32.00  
Water Pitchers, 13.00 to 38.00  
Tea Sets, 25.00 to 100.00  
Flower Baskets, 12.00 to 42.00  
Flower Vases, 7.00 to 24.00  
Community Silver in chest, 26 pieces, 37.00  
Headquarters for the famous Community Silver Plate at the new low prices.

(Main Floor)

## Limoges China Dinner Sets 65.50

25 exquisitely beautiful Dinner Sets in Limoges China, with a border decoration which has won wide favor, will be offered for the amazingly low price of 65.50 as a special pre-holiday offering. It boasts of solid full matt, coin gold handles, and is a complete service for 12 persons.

(Sixth Floor)

## These Gifts Are Most Useful

If you wish to "make things a bit easier" for your wife, or mother, then place some electrical kitchen appliance she doesn't already possess, under the Christmas Tree. It will surprise you how thoroughly she will appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Pyrex Casseroles in nickel-plated brass frame; cast handles. 2.95

Transparent Glass Oven Sets, covered casserole, bread pan, pie plate and utility dish. set, 2.95

Universal "De Luxe" Electric Iron, 6 lbs. Ebonized handle. 6.50

Electric Grill, three cooking pans, with ebonized handles, patent detachable plug, 6 ft. cord. 15.00

Three-piece Carving Sets of American steel with genuine stag handles. set, 3.95

Colonial design, five-piece Combination sets of Aluminum; may be used in nine different ways. set, 1.95

Crumb Sets—tray and scraper; copper or nickel-plated. set, 2.95

Reversible Electric Toasters. Complete with cord and plug. 4.25

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